SRI T. S. RAMASWAMY PILLAI : The Hon. Minister has been kind enough to say that 139 wells have already been sunk out of 416 applications for sinking wells. May I know whether the rest of the applicants have been sanctioned this amount or not?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : This scheme is under the comprehensive rural water-supply scheme. Last year Rs. 40 lakhs were sanctioned for it. In the current year Rs. 30 lakhs have been sanctioned and Kanyakumari will have its share. I am not able to give detailed information just now.

* 507 *Q.*—SRI M. JAGANNATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) the steps taken so far to expedite the provision of drinking water-supply to Tindivanam Municipality; and

(*b*) the probable time by which the water-supply scheme for Tindivanam Municipality will be completed?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : (*a*) The water-supply scheme for Tindivanam is under execution.

(*b*) The scheme is expected to be completed in all respects and put into commission by the end of 1959.

SRI M. JAGANNATHAN : May I know whether the Tindivanam Municipality has asked for any loan from the Madras Government for the completion of the protected water-supply scheme in their Municipality and if so, what is the quantum of the loan asked for and whether the Government have given it?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : The total cost of the scheme is Rs. 17·34 lakhs. A loan of Rs. 16·7 lakhs has already been sanctioned to the Municipal Council. Now actually an expenditure of Rs. 15·43 lakhs up to the end of January has taken place. Eighty nine per cent of the work has been completed.

SRI A. GOVINDASAMY : இம்மாதிரி முனிசிபல் நகரங்களில் குடிதண்ணீர் விநியோகம் செய்வதற்காக மத்திய சர்க்கார் ராஜ்ய சர்க்காருக்கு நிதி அளிக்க முன் வந்திருக்கிறதா என்பதை அறிய விரும்புகிறேன்.

MR. SPEAKER : இந்தக் கேள்வி திண்டிவனத்தைப்பற்றி கேட்கப்பட்டிருக்கிறது. அதிலிருந்து உங்கள் கேள்வி எப்படி எழும்.

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU: திண்டிவனத்திற்கு குடி தண்ணீர் வசதிக்கு என்ன ஏற்பாடு செய்யப்பட்டிருக்கிறது, எப்பொழுது அந்த வேலை முடியும் என்பதைப்பற்றிதான் கேட்கப்பட்டிருக்கிறது. கனம் அங்கத்தினர் வேறு ஸ்கீமைப்பற்றி கேட்கிறார் என்று நினைக்கிறேன்.

MR. SPEAKER : Next question No. 508 [a]. . .

SRI V. K. KOTHANDARAMAN : கனம் கல்யாணசுந்தரம் அவர்கள் இன்று வரவில்லை. அதனால் அவருடைய கேள்வியை நாளைக்கு எடுத்துக் கொள்ளவேண்டும் என்று கேட்டுக்கொள்ளுகிறேன்.

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[a] The question was answered on 5th April 1958.

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MR. SPEAKER : I have no objection. We can take it up day after to-morrow. But, I must may that the usual practice is that the hon. Member concerned should ask for the postponement of the question, and somebody else should not ask for such postponement. This time I have allowed it but hereafter I will not allow it.

SRI V. K. RAMSWAMY MUDALIYAR : If the hon. Member concerned is unavoidably absent, can he put it in writing that his question may be postponed?

MR. SPEAKER : Of course, I will allow that.

Hospital Advisory Committee

* 509 *Q.*—SRI M. JAGANNATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government Hospital Advisory Committee for Tindivanam has been reconstituted;

(*b*) how many times the Committee has met so far;

(*c*) whether the Committee has made any recommendations; and

(*d*) if so, how many of them have been implemented so far?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : (*a*) Yes, Sir.

(*b*) So far the Committee has met only once on 23rd December 1957.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) Three of the four recommendations have already been implemented.

Lower Bhavani Project area

* 510 *Q.*—SRI P. G. MANICKAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state in how many acres of lands in Lower Bhavani Project area (i) wet, (ii) dry and (iii) garden cultivation is done at present?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : The Government have appointed a special staff to localize the wet, garden and dry lands in the Lower Bhavani Project ayacut. The special staff has been asked to complete its work before 15th April 1958 correct particulars of the extent of lands under each class, viz., wet, garden and dry will be known only after the special staff complete its work.

MR. SPEAKER : Questions are over.